

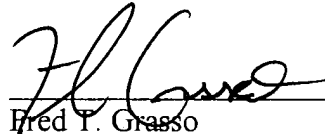
REMARKS

Claims 1-8, and 23-31 are pending. Claims 9-22 have been canceled without prejudice to the subject matter therein.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and credit any overpayments associated with this filing to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 9, 2003

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Fred T. Grasso', is written over a horizontal line.

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